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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF

In re patent application of: Cesare Gianturco Serial No. 244,669 Group Art Unit 336 Filed September 14, 1988 ENDOVASCULAR STENT AND DELIVERY SYSTEM

Before the Examiner Dalton L. Truluck

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AMENDMENT AFTER FIRST ACTION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231 Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 1989, please consider the following. Additionally, please provide any extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

IN THE CLAIMS:

29. (amended) An apparatus for intraluminally reinforcing the lumen of a body passageway, comprising:

a tubular shaped stent formed by a plurality of connected elongate members having a first diameter which permits delivery of the tubular shaped stent into the lumen of the body passageway;

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